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SUBJ: FAO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON U.S. ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO MEET FOOD SHORTAGES IN ETHIOPIA AND TANZANIA

- 1. FAO SECTION ON GLOBAL INFORMATION AND EARLY WARNING SYSTEM HAS ASKED US ABOUT U.S. INTENTIONS IN ETHIOPIA AND TANZANIA. WITH RECENT VISITS TO ROME OF FAO PERSONNEL IN THOSE COUNTRIES, FAO IS INTENDING TO PUT BOTH COUNTRIES ON THEIR LIST OF CRITICAL FOOD SHORTAGE AREAS.
- 2. IN ETHIOPIA QUESTION IS NOT FOOD SUPPLIES, BUT RATHER TRANSPORTATION,
  HANDLING EQUIPMENT, AND STORAGE. IN JANUARY ETHIOPIA REQUESTED ASSISTANCE BUT TO DATE RESPONSE, ACCORDING TO FAO RECORDS,
  HAS BEEN LIMITED. SHIPPING PROBLEMS UNLESS AIDED WOULD BE CAUSE FOR PUTTING ETHIOPIA ON CRISIS LIST.
- 3. IN TANZANIA THE FOOD SUPPLY SITUATION IS SUBSTANTIALLY WORSE THAN LAST YEAR AND IF THE 70,000 TONS OF CEREAL THE USG IS CONSIDERING GIVING TANZANIA IS NOT GOING TO MATERIALIZE IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, THE COUNTRY SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE CRITICAL UNCLASSIFIED

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FOOD SHORTAGE LIST.

4. AN EARLY RESPONSE ON THE USG'S PLANS WOULD ASSIST THE FAO IN PLANNING FOR THESE TWO COUNTRIES.BEAUDRY

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